reasons, fuel monitoring and tankering, review of uneconomic flights, inventory management, outsourcing of services wherever feasible/economical.

Changes in Life Insurance Laws

897. SHRI MANOJ BHATTACHARYA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the law Commission has called for sweeping changes in life insurance laws in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof and Government's reaction thereto;

(c)whether necessary amendments are being brought forward in insurance laws in conformity with these recommendations; if so, by when; and

(d) whether the interest of the policy holders would be adequately protected in the new legislation and if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI ANANDRAO VITHOBA ADSUL): (a) to (d) The Law Commission of India has informed that it has undertaken the study of "Revision of the Insurance Act, 1938 and the Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority Act, 1999". The Commission has prepared a consultation paper on the subject and has circulated it to the concerned persons/ organisations to elicit their views on it. Thereafter, the Commission would finalise its recommendations and forward its report to the Government.

Routing of Funds Through State Governments

898. SHRI VIJAY J. DARDA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that a recent decision of the Ministry of Finance for routing the funds through the State Governments instead of direct transfer of funds to the implementing agencies, would adversely affect the progress of schemes like 'Sampoorna Gramin Swarozgar Yojana,' Swajaldhara', 'Hariyali' etc; and

(b) if so, what advantages are likely to accrue by adopting this scheme and whether views of Ministries Like Health, Education and Rural Development were taken into consideration?